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SUBJECT: MALTA AFTER 1979: THE ALGERIAN CONNECTION

REF: VALETTA 0737 (NOTAL); 76 ALGIERS 2137 (NOTAL)

1. SUBJECT OF ALGERIAN GUARANTEE FOR MALTESE SECURITY HAS NOT COME UP HERE, EITHER PUBLICLY OR IN OUR PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS WITH ALGERIANS, SINCE MINTOFF'S VISIT TO ALGIERS LAST AUGUST (76 ALGIERS 2137 NOTAL). MALTESE AMBASSADOR BELLIZZI, WHO IS HERE ON ONE OF HIS PERIODIC VISITS FROM TRIPOLI WHERE HE IS RESIDENT TELLS US THAT BOUMEDIENE GAVE HIM SUCH A SECURITY GUARANTEE ORALLY DURING ONE OF THEIR MEETINGS. HOWEVER, WRITTEN AGREEMENT ON QUESTION REMAINS TO BE DRAWN UP. GUARANTEE, BELLIZZI NOTES, SOMEWHAT ACADEMIC SINCE CHANCES OF MALTESE EVER ASKING ALGERIANS TO HONOR IT MINIMAL.

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2. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THAT REGIONAL GUARANTEE OF MALTESE SECURITY SQUARES WELL WITH ALGERIAN PUSH FOR DEMILITARIZATION OF MEDITERRANEAN. IN PRACTICAL TERMS, HOWEVER, WE SUGGEST THAT MALTESE WOULD BE UNWISE TO COUNT VERY HEAVILY ON ALGERIAN GUARANTEE, AS BELLIZZI APPARENTLY REALIZES. NEVERTHELESS, EVEN ALGERIAN WORDS MIGHT PROVIDE MINTOFF WITH AN EXTRA WILD CARD. HAYNES

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